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SUBJ: ISRAELI PRESS ON US/ISRAELI RELATIONS

1. ISRAELI/US RELATIONS CONTINUE TO DOMINATE THE FRONT  
PAGES OF THE ISRAELI PRESS APRIL 7. WHILE KEEPING STIFF  
UPPER LIP, PRESS GENERALLY REFLECTS BOTH ANXIETIES OVER  
ISRAEL'S RELATIONS WITH US AND JUSTIFICATION FOR  
ISRAELI POSITION IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH EGYPT. END SUMMARY.

2. UNDER BANNER HEADLINE, "HARDLY ANY US-ISRAEL CONTACTS  
ON 'REAPPRAISAL'" MAARIV (HARIF) REPORTS THAT JERUSALEM BE-  
LIEVES US PRESSURES WILL EVENTUALLY BLOW OFF, "AND THEN THE  
ADMINISTRATION WILL HAVE TO DISCUSS MATTERS WITH ISRAEL."  
BUT IN MEANTIME, NOTES HARIF, "THE FACT IS THAT THE AMERICAN  
'POLICY REAPPRAISAL' IS BEING CONDUCTED BY THE AMERICANS ON THEIR  
OWN, WITH BARELY ANY US-ISRAEL CONTACTS." ISRAEL IS DISTURBED,  
HOWEVER, THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS SEEN FIT TO CONSULT WITH  
SOME PERSONALITIES NOT KNOWN TO BE PRO-ISRAEL.

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3. SOURCES IN JERUSALEM, ACCORDING TO MARIV, "NOW ADMIT REAL TENSION IN ISRAEL-US RELATIONS," WITH ADMINISTRATION "VISIBLY ANNOYED" BY ISRAEL'S COUNTER-INFORMATION CAMPAIGN. JERUSALEM SOURCES REJECT US CLAIM THAT ISRAEL'S POSITION WAS DUE TO "DOMESTIC CONSIDERATION," A CLAIM VOICED AMONG OTHERS BY DR KISSINGER. THEY INSIST THAT "ISRAEL HAS DONE ALL IT COULD TO MAKE THE INTERIM SETTLEMENT SUCCEED, WHILE EGYPT WAS NOT REALLY PREPARED TO DO ANYTHING, SO THERE IS NO REASON FOR ISRAEL TO FEEL GUILTY."

4. ALONG SAME LINE AS MAARIV LEAD STORY, JERUSALEM POST (LANDAU) REPORTS JERUSALEM DETERMINED TO SIT TIGHT IN ITS PRESENT NEGOTIATING POSITION, HOPING THAT STORM OF AMERICAN ANGER AND DISAPPOINTMENT WILL BLOW OVER. GOVERNMENT, ACCORDING TO JERUSALEM POST, "BELIEVES CURRENT APPLICATION OF PRESSURE BY WASHINGTON IS DESIGNED TO SOFTEN ISRAEL'S STANCE..DESPITE THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S HOPES, HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT HERE IS PLANNING NO NEW INITIATIVES, BUT INTENDS RATHER TO EXPLAIN TO THE WORLD, AND ESPECIALLY TO AMERICAN OPINION, WHY IT COULD GO NO FURTHER IN THE SUSPENDED KISSINGER TALKS."

5. WELL-PLACED SOURCE IN JERUSALEM, CLAIMED THE POST, DESCRIBED WASHINGTON'S REASSESSMENT OF MIDDLE EAST POLICY AS PART OF "WAR OF NERVES" ENGINEERED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER WITH ATMOSPHERE "VERY STRAINED."

6. BOTH HAARETZ AND MAARIV CARRIED FRONT PAGE STORIES THAT ID IS PREPARING FOR POSSIBILITY OF DELAYS IN US MILITARY SUPPLY.

7. ON THE BRIGHTER SIDE, MAARIV (BEN) REPLAYED NEW YORK TIMES REPORT THAT PENTAGON OFFICIALS ARE CRITICAL OF HOLDUP OF SUPPLIES TO ISRAEL, WHICH IN THEIR VIEW "IS THE ONLY COUNTRY IN THE MIDDLE EAST CAPABLE OF ACTING AS A COUNTERPOISE TO THE ARABS AND A DETERRENT TO THE SOVIETS."

8. ANOTHER CHEERFUL NOTE: MAX FISHER IS REPORTED BY HAARETZ AS SAYING THAT WHILE KISSINGER HAS TURNED AGAINST ISRAEL, PRESIDENT FORD (WHOM FISHER ALSO MET) IS MORE MODERATE, AND REMAINS ISRAEL'S FAITHFUL FRIEND.

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9. HAARETZ EDITORIAL DECRIED DAMAGE TO ISRAEL RESULTING FROM CHARGES IN MEDIA, AS INFLUENCED BY WASHINGTON, FOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR FAILURE OF KISSINGER TALKS. FACT OF US POLICY REASSESSMENT IS AMPLE CAUSE FOR WORRY. PART OF DAMAGE, SUGGESTS HAARETZ, "MIGHT BE REPAIRED BY PUBLISHING THE DOCUMENTS ABOUT THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THE POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE PARTIES."

10. MAARIV EDITORIAL TOOK UP REPORT CLAIMING THAT AFTER COLLAPSE OF INTERIM SETTLEMENT TALKS, AMBASSADOR DINITZ ASKED US JEWISH COMMUNITY LEADERS TO SEND TELEGRAM OF THANKS TO DR KISSINGER. MAARIV BELIEVED HELP OF AMERICAN JEWRY SHOULD HAVE BEEN SOUGHT TO BOLSTER ISRAEL'S INTERNATIONAL POSITION AND NOT SHORE UP DR KISSINGER.. "WHO IS TO BLAME FOR THE WHOLE SITUATION OF TROUBLED WATERS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE UNITED STATES AND FOR THE PRESSURE SYSTEM WHICH HAS DEVELOPED."

11. WHILE HATZOFEH (NRP) TOLD THE GOVERNMENT TO HAVE COURAGE IN DEFENDING ITS POSITION, AL HAMISHMAR (MAPAM) DEVIATING FROM GENERAL TONE OF PRESS EDITORIALS, URGED THAT ISRAEL TAKE THE INITIATIVE AND "MAKE PROPOSALS TO WHICH THE OTHER SIDE WOULD BE FORCED TO REPLY."  
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